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ECONOMIC RECESSION
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a)whether India is suffering from acute economic recession compounded by rising fuel prices;

(b)if so, the details thereof compared with other countries during the last three years; and

(c)the steps proposes/taken by the Government to face such situation in the remaining Eleventh Five Year Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) No, sir. There is no economic recession in India. However, the global petroleum crude price continues to remain at elevated levels.

(b) The growth rates estimated by the International Monetary Fund's World Economic Outlook, (update of June 2011) for the years 2009 and 2010 are 2.8 per cent and 7.4 per cent respectively for the emerging and developing economies and 6.8 per cent and 10.4 per cent respectively for India. The projections for 2011 and 2012 are 6.6 per cent and 6.4 per cent respectively for the emerging and developing economies and 8.2 per cent and 7.8 per cent respectively for India.

(c) The Government has pursued prudent macroeconomic policies on an ongoing basis with a countercyclical focus in recent years, strengthened structural measures to promote growth, develop product as well as financial markets, and increased social spending to provide a stronger foundation to protect the poor.